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Re: Inventors: CARNEY, Gregory J. and FOLLETT, Richard L.  
Invention: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ANNUITY  
VALUATION  
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**OFFICE OF INITIAL PATENT EXAMINATION - STATUS INQUIRY**

Dear Sir/Madam:

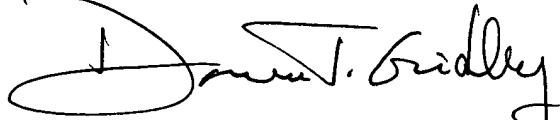
The above-referenced patent application was filed on September 26, 2003. A Notice of Publication of Application was received in our Office on April 9, 2005. Because we have not yet received any further communications from you, such as an Office Action or a Notice of Allowance, we ask your assistance in verifying the status of the above-referenced application.

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